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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Wojciech K. Slusarek; et al

IMAGING ELEMENT CONTAINING A
BLOCKED PHOTOGRAPHICALLY USEFUL
COMPOUND

Divisional of Application
Serial No. 09/711,769

Filed Herewith

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Group Art Unit: 1752

Examiner: Richard L. Schilling

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July 13, 2001
Date

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to examination of this case, please amend the above-
identified application without prejudice as follows.

In the Specification:

Page 1, please insert the following before the first line

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is a Divisional of application no. 09/711,769, filed November
13, 2000, now allowed.--

In the Claims:

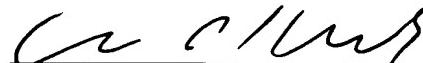
Please cancel claims 1 - 32.

REMARKS

Preliminary to Examination of this case, please amend the
application as indicated above. Enclosed also is an IDS for consideration by the
Examiner.

Applicants respectfully request examination at the earliest date.

Respectfully submitted,



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